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Symposium 1999

On behalf of the Editors and Staff of the *Journal* who conceived, planned, and presented the Symposium on April 10, 1999, I am proud to present: *The Electronic Global Marketplace: Are Traditional Legal Principles Adequate for the Emerging Cyber Society?* This Symposium brought practitioners and academics from across the country to the University of Richmond School of Law to present papers on a wide range of topics in the evolving electronic domain. With this event, the *Journal* continues the pioneering role, which it began as the first online law review in 1995. We would like to dedicate this issue to our founders and those who laid the path for us to follow.

This is the first Symposium the *Journal* has ever hosted and was a monumental undertaking for our young publication. From the time of its inception until its occurrence, the Symposium spanned nearly two years and parts of three Editorial Boards. Throughout the process, the Symposium was an evolving concept which saw many shapes and finally developed into the successful final product it became. As with any grand scheme, there were many hurdles that had to be overcome throughout the process. At times, the tasks seemed overwhelming, but we lived up to the challenge and realized success. Perseverance and dedication were the essential elements that resulted in our triumph.

We would like to thank each of our authors, Karl D. Belgum, John M. Conley, Stephanie Haun, Michael J. Lockerby and J.T. Westermeier for their help, patience, and cooperation as we planned and carried out the Symposium. Sincere appreciation goes out to Richard Freeth for joining us to present Stephanie Haun's paper. It was a special pleasure to host all of them for this event. Additionally, the *Journal* would like to thank our faculty advisor, Professor John Paul Jones and Associate Dean Kristine Marzolf for their support and assistance in the planning, as well as the rest of the faculty, staff, administration, and student body.

The *Journal* would also like to thank my Symposium Editor predecessors, Wesley G. Walker and Jennifer S. Coates, the Symposium Committee, and numerous staff members who all dedicated countless hours of hard work to make the Symposium a success. Additionally, special thanks goes out to Lisa T. Hudson, whose help was invaluable in when it came to the details, and the editors who struggled endlessly through summer jobs far away from home to complete the editorial process.

Finally, the *Journal* would like to thank the following financial sponsors of the Symposium, without whom we would not have been able to have this event: CIO Communications, Inc., Crisp, Jordan, and Boyd, L.L.P., KeyCite by Westlaw, Potter's Pub, the Richmond Omni Hotel, and the University of Richmond School of Law's Student Bar Association and Law and Technology Association.

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